



# Minutes

City Council Work Session Meeting  
Oelwein City Hall, 20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein, Iowa  
November 12, 2024 - 6:30 PM

## Roll Call

**Present:** Garrigus, Ricchio, Payne, Weber, Lenz

**Also Present:** Mayor DeVore, City Administrator Mulfinger, City Clerk/Treasurer Rigdon

**Absent:** Seeders

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Discussions

1. Discussion on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget and Strategic Planning review.

The city council created a list of positive projects or events which happened for the city in FY2024:

- Street projects
- Park improvements
- Demolition of dilapidated buildings
- Trails
- Staff working with City Council
- Smooth budget process
- City Council working together
- City Hall improvements
- Public safety concept
- Water and sewer plan
- Flood mitigation
- Side by sides
- Asphalt overlay
- NE sewer
- Event center partnership
- Moving recycling bins
- Working with non-profits

The city council discussed items which need attention in FY2025 and 2026

- Public Outreach
- West side streets
- Parking lot maintenance

- Owner occupied code enforcement
- Lobbying the state
- Creating a street improvement plan
- Grant writing
- Commercial inspections
- Downtown sidewalks
- 12<sup>th</sup> Ave NW water main

Mulfinger advised hard decisions will be made again this year as the city is still seeing declining revenues and added expenditures.

### **Adjournment**